

8. (Amended) [Method] A method for speech processing, comprising the steps of:

analyzing [- in which] an input signal [(ES) is analyzed (401), with which signal it is described] that describes what type of speech recognition and/or speech output is further required[,];

activating [- in which], dependent on the input signal [(ES)], from a set of several speech recognition modules [(Ei, i = 1..n)] and/or speech output modules [(Aj, j = 1..m)], specifically constructed respectively for a particular type of speech recognition and/or speech output, respectively, at least one speech recognition module [(Ei)] and/or at least one speech output module, respectively, [(Aj)] is activated (402),] and

executing [- in which] the respective type of speech recognition and/or speech output [is executed] with the [selected] activated speech recognition module and/or speech output module [(403)].

9. (Amended) [Method] The method according to claim 8, wherein [in which] a pre-processing [(VV)] of the speech signal to be recognized takes place before the speech recognition.

10. (Amended) [Method] The method according to claim 8 [or 9], wherein [in which] after the speech recognition a post-processing of [the] a recognized speech signal takes place.

IN THE ABSTRACT

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On page 43, line 5, please change "comprises" to --has--.